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SUBJECT: TENTH MEETING OF INTER-AMERICAN NUCLEAR ENERGY
COMMISSION (IANEC)

REF: STATE 134808

1. SUMMARY: AT TENTH MEETING OF IANEC IN LIMA, DELEGATES
AGREED TO ATTEMPT TO REVITALIZE ORGANIZATION AND SUPPORTED
PLAN OF ACTION FOR REGIONAL COOPERATION PROPOSED BY EXE-
CUTIVE SECRETARY, MARCELO ALONSO. ARGENTINA PLAYED LEAD
ROLE IN DEVELOPING SUPPORT FOR THIS PLAN. MEMBER STATES
ARE TO PROVIDE PROPOSALS FOR COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES TO
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY WITHIN 60 DAYS. END SUMMARY.

2. TENTH MEETING OF IANEC WAS HELD IN LIMA, PERU,
JULY 11-15, 1977. GEN. JUAN BARREDA DELGADO OF PERU WAS
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ELECTED CHAIRMAN AND MR. JOSE FRANCISCO CARVAJAL CASTRO OF
COSTA RICA, VICE CHAIRMAN.

3. FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WERE ELECTED TO ADVISORY
COMMITTEE: DR. RENATO RADICELLA, ARGENTINA;
DR. MAX VON BRAND KUHLMAN, CHILE; DR. LUIS ROMO SALTOS,
ECUADOR; DR. JOSE DANILO PECCI, PARAGUAY; AND

BRIG. GEN. MARCO FERNANDEZ BACA, PERU. ELECTED AS
ALTERNATES WERE: DR. LUIS F. BARRAGAN, BOLIVIA AND
MR. JAIME TOTO GUTIERREZ, COLUMBIA.

4. RE PLAN OF ACTION FOR COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES,
COMMISSION RECOMMENDED A TWO YEAR, DOLS 400,000 PER YEAR
PROGRAM OF COOPERATION IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

(A) USE OF RADIOISOTOPES AND RADIATION, PREFERABLY IN
THE FIELDS OF AGRICULTURE AND INDUSTRY; (B) PROSPECTING,
EVALUATION, EXPLORATION AND TREATMENT OF RADIOACTIVE
MINERALS; (C) TRAINING FOR NUCLEAR POWER DEVELOPMENT
PROGRAMS AND (D) INTERNATIONAL NUCLEAR INFORMATION
SERVICE. COOPERATION WOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH
FOLLOWING MECHANISMS: (A) VISITS OF EXPERTS OR
COOPERATION MISSIONS; (B) ASSIGNMENTS FOR TRAINING AND
PARTICIPATION IN COURSES OR SEMINARS; (C) ASSIGNMENTS
FOR R AND D PARTICIPATION; (D) EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION
THROUGH SHORT TERM VISITS; (E) SUPPLY OF SPECIALIZED
BIBLIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION AND (F) JOINT ACTIONS.

5. IN IMPLEMENTATION OF PLAN OF ACTION, MEMBER STATES ARE
TO SUBMIT TO EXECUTIVE SECRETARY WITHIN 60 DAYS THEIR
PROPOSALS FOR COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES INCLUDING BOTH
ACTIVITIES IN WHICH THEY DESIRE TO RECEIVE ASSISTANCE
AS WELL AS ACTIVITIES IN WHICH THEY ARE PREPARED TO OFFER
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IT. THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY WILL THEN USE THIS INFORMATION
TO SUPPORT HIS BUDGET REQUEST TO THE OAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

6. RE REVITALIZATION OF IANEC MOST OF DELEGATES AGREED ON
NEED TO STRENGTHEN ROLE OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN PLANNING
ACTIVITIES OF IANEC AND SEVERAL SUPPORTED STRONGER ROLE
FOR CHAIRMAN OF IANEC. MEMBER STATES WERE REQUESTED TO
FORWARD TO EXECUTIVE SECRETARY WITHIN 90 DAYS THEIR
SUGGESTIONS FOR REVISING IANEC STATUTE AND RULES OF
PROCEDURE BEARING ON ABOVE.

7. COMMISSION NOTED REPORT OF SPECIAL LEGAL COMMITTEE
AND SUGGESTED SEVERAL TOPICS FOR CONTINUING STUDY BY
THAT COMMITTEE. IT WAS ALSO SUGGESTED THAT THE
COMMITTEE SHOULD MEET AGAIN IN THE SECOND HALF OF 1977
TO CONTINUE ITS WORK.

8. RE NEXT MEETING, CHILE OFFERED HOST NEXT MEETING OF
IANEC. SINCE THERE WERE NO OTHER OFFERS, THE CHILEAN
OFFER WAS ACCEPTED AND REFERRED TO GENERAL SECRETARIAT
OF PERMANENT COUNCIL.

9. DURING COURSE OF MEETING, US DELEGATION TOOK POSITION THAT US IS COMMITTED TO CONTINUING AND EXPANDING ITS COOPERATION WITH LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES IN ENERGY TECHNOLOGY FIELD, BOTH NUCLEAR AND NON-NUCLEAR AND THAT WE ARE PREPARED TO DO THIS BILATERALLY, MULTILATERALLY THROUGH IAEA OR REGIONALLY. HOWEVER, IT IS UP TO COUNTRIES OF REGION TO IDENTIFY AREAS OF INTEREST AND PREFERRED MECHANISM OF COOPERATION. US THEN PREPARED WORK WITH THEM TO EXPAND COOPERATION IN WAYS WHICH WILL PROVE OF MAXIMUM BENEFIT CONSISTENT WITH COMMON INTEREST IN BUILDING MORE PEACEFUL AND PROSPEROUS WORLD. US DELEGATE FURTHER NOTED IT WAS NOT SUFFICIENT FOR THEM MERELY TO SUPPORT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EXPANDED COOPERATION IN IANEC MEETING; THEY WOULD ALSO HAVE TO WORK WITHIN UNCLASSIFIED

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THEIR OWN GOVERNMENTS TO CONVINCE THEM TO SUPPORT THE BUDGET REQUEST WITHIN THE OAS.

10. RE OTHER DELEGATIONS, ARGENTINE DELEGATION HEADED BY CASTRO MADERA PLAYED MOST ACTIVE ROLE IN SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO CONTINUE AND IMPROVE IANEC. THEY WERE STRONGLY SUPPORTED BY VENEZUELA AND OTHER SMALLER COUNTRIES. BRAZIL TOOK A RELATIVELY NEUTRAL ROLE AND SEEMED SOMEWHAT TAKEN ABACK BY AGGRESSIVENESS OF ARGENTINES. MEXICO WAS LEAST SUPPORTIVE AND AT TIMES ALMOST OBSTRUCTIONIST. HOWEVER, IN FINAL ANALYSIS BOTH SUPPORTED RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CONTINUED AND EXPANDED COOPERATION THROUGH IANEC. ONLY MEXICO DISPLAYED ANY INTEREST IN REGIONAL COOPERATION THROUGH OPANAL WITH VENEZUELA STRONGLY OPPOSED TO THAT MECHANISM.

11. REQUESTED ACTION: ADDRESSEES MAY WISH DISCREETLY OBSERVE AND REPORT ON HOST COUNTRIES' PLANS FOR FOLLOWING-UP ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF THIS MEETING RELATING TO FUTURE COOPERATION. VANCE

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